Utility Corporations to Continue Present Rates, It Is Believed. Lanston to Resume.

Reduction in Norfolk & Washington Steamboat Rate Was Not

Unexpected.

BY I. A. FLEMING.

Washington investors are awaiting Amer. Locomotive ... with considerable interest, and per- Amer. Loco. pfd.... ore or less anxiety, for the annual meetings of the leading Washington corporations and the information as to actual earnings during the year in this city.

On the information available it is predicted that there will be no further Amer. Tel. & Teleg... 125 12514 125 reductions in dividends, no passings yet increases, but that present rates may be counted on for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916.

There was some surprise expressed when the directors of the Norfolk and Washington Steamboat Company clip-ped 2 per cent off the annual dividend, reducing it to 10 per cent, in place of Atlantic Coast Line... 106 108 the 12 per cent that the company has Baldwin Locomotivs. 95% 95% so long maintained, and yet it will be recalled that the officials of the corration prepared the way for such action some months ago, when it was predicted that "unless business improves it may be necessary to reduce

At times the business of the company

Traction shares are likely to earn their dividends and to receive the usual dishursements; gas companies are sure Continental Can.

dishursements; gas companies are sure to continue their dividend rates, while Con Products.

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the banks are maintaining dividends Corn Products pfd...

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No Bank Closure.

Efforts have been made, led by for- Ciban-Amer. Sugar. 11934 11934 11838 11934 ner Senator Nathan B. Scott, president of the Continental Trust Company, and one or two others to obtain a closure of the banks and trust companies of the city during the hours of the big Grand Army parade Wednesday.

While there are many bankers who would welcome the opportunity to show this tribute of regard to the G. A. R., it is admitted that they are not permitted by law to close their doors during banking hours except on legal holi-The Washington Stock Exchange,

The Washington Stock Exchange, holding daily sessions between 12 and 1 o'clock in the afternoon, has decided to close Wednesday.

Hereafter the usual daily "call" on the Washington exchange will be held Saturdays, following an adjournment Saturdays during July, August and Sentember.

Financial Notes.

The investors of the United States have taken close to \$1,000,000,000 worth Interporough Cossil. :1 of American securities from foreign owners since the war started. This means an exchange of food products for securities, to a large extent. Jersey Central for the fiscal year ended with June 30 showed a net sur-

plus after all fixed charges, etc., of \$2,019,762, equal to 19.36 per cent on the \$27,436,000 of capital stock. The surplus decreased \$412,000 as compared with the previous fiscal year's show-

During the last fiscal year the Union Pacific Railroad Company carried \$,951,364 passengers, without the loss of a single life.

New York banks gained about \$11,

New York banks gained about \$11, carried Maxwell Motor..... 5438

Clearings for the week ended yester-day showed an increase of 58.5 per cent, as compared with the previous week's returns. New York gained 99 per cent.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

CHICAGO, September 25.—Hogs—Receipts, 5,000 head; weak, early advance of 5 to 16 cents lost. Bulk, 7.20a8.25; light, 7.60a8.40; mixed, 6.85a8.40; heavy, 6.60a8.25; rough, 6.60a6.80; pigs, 6.00

Quotations furnished by W. E. Hibbs & Co., members New York Stock Exchange, New York Cotton Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade.

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Pottations furnished by W. E. Hibbs & Co., members New York Color Potts Indicated And Trade.

Peoples Gas, Chicago 1171/2 1

| December | 11.50 | 11.58 | 11.40 | 11.58 | 11.50 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 11.58 | 1

LONDON, September 25.—Bar silver, 23%4 per ounce. Money, 3%44 per cent. Discount rates, short bills, 4%44% per cent; three-month, 411-1644% per cent.

Holiday on London Exchange. LONDON September 25.—Holiday on the stock exchange today.

New York Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, September 25. Sugar Union Pacific pid. 82 82 82 82 futures advanced on light covering today. The closing was steady, 2 to 6 points higher. Sales, 1,700 tons. December, 2,95; March, 2,86; May, 2,95; United Rwy, Invest. 24½ 24½ 23 23½ 24½ 24½ 24½ 25 25 United Ry, Invest. pl. 33¾ 39¾ 38 38 Univ. 3,00. Holiday in raw and refined sugars. | U.S. Ind. Alcohol. ... 87 90

New York Mercantile Paper. NEW YORK, September 25.—Mercantile paper, 3½,435½. Sterling, 60 day bills, 4.6750; demand, 4.7075; cables, 4.7125. Francs, demand, 5.87; cables, 5.86. Marks, demand, 83½; cables, 6.28; cables, 33½. Lires, demand, 6.29; cables, 6.28. Rubles, demand, 34½; cables, 34½. Bar silver, 49¾. Mexican dollars, 38½. Government bonds steady. Railroad Western Maryland pf. 46½ 47 46½ 4

Building Permits.

Building permits were issued today

to the follo: William A. Boss to build nine dwellings from 537 to 553 15th street northeast; architect, Russell Lamar; builder, William A. Boss: estimated cost, \$12,000.

Mrs. Mary Velati to repair store at 906 G street northwest; estimated cost, \$2,506.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET. Received by private wire direct to

Alaska Gold Mining. 321/2 321/2 321/2 371/2

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Allis-Chalmers..... 431's 433's 421's

Am. Agricul. Chem. . 6212 6212 6212

Am. Coal Products... 15134 15238 15084 151

607%

Am. Tobacco new.... 1101/2 1101/2 1101/2 1101/2

Atchison...... 104 1041/2 1038/4 1041/2

Atchison pfd...... 1001/4 1001/4 1001/4 1001/2

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Consolidated Gas.... 12814 13034 12814 12934

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General Motors pid.. 113% 114 113% 114

reat Northern pli. . 12! 122 12114 122

Hinois Central..... 10414 107 10414 107

New York Air Brace. 156 157 156 157

Norfolk & Westera ... 1151 2 11574 115 11514

Northern Pacific..... 11158 112 11134 11138

Sloss-Sheffield.... 54 54 54 54 Southern Pacific... 9334 94 9344 94

Studebaker..... 1401/2 1401/2 139

Texas & Pacific...... 12 1212 12

Southern Railway of. 55

Southern Railway.... 1818 1914 1818 1914

Texas Companies.... 162 16516 162 164

Third Avenue...... 597 s 597 s

United Rwy. Invest.. 243 2 24 2 23 2334

U. S. Rubber 521 2 5234 5218 5234

U.S. Rubber pfd.... 10634 10834 10634 10834

Westingh'se Mfg. Co. 12158 12158 12034 12114

Wheeling & Lake Erie. 28 , 28 , 28 , 28 , 28 , 28 ,

NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. Steel 7834 7834 7834 7834

codrici Co., H. F... 70 2 7034 6912 6934

Crucible Steel pfd... 1083/2 1083/2 1083/4

Delaware & Hudson... 143 143

Bethlehem pfd..... 182 182 170

Canadian Pacific.... 1633/2 1633/2 162

Am. Ag. Chem. pfd .: 9714 9714

American Beet Sugar. 6514 651/2

American Can..... 621/2 621/2

American Express... 103 103

Allis-Chalmers pid... 72

American Can pfd.... 107

Amer. Car & Foundry. 76

Am Cotton Oil pfd... 95

American Ice..... 23

Amer Linseed pfd.... 36

Amer. Smelt. & Refin. 881 8

Amer. Steel Foundry. 55

American Wooleg... 54

Amer.Woolen pfd.... 943%

Baltimore & Ohio.... 881/2

Pethlehem Steel..... 353

Brooklyn Rap. Tran. 85

Continental Can.... 90

Den. & Rio Grando pi. 11

Distillers Security 2416

Elec. Storage Battery 7814

eneral Electric..... 173

reat Northern Ore. 453%

Suggenheim Explor. . C5%

lide & Leatner..... 12

Hide & Leather pl. L. 4814

repiration Copper. 35%

rterberough-Metra. 21

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rie Railroad.....

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eneral Motors.....

Frie 1st ofd.....

Chalble Steel.....

Dome Mining.

Putte Superior.....

California Oil.....

Am. Smelt. & Ref.pfd. 10734 10734

American Sugar.... 109 109

American Tobacco.. 227 227

Am. Mait pfd.....

American Linseed.... 1914

Southern Ry. gen. mortg. 4s. 63% 63 Southern Rwy. 58..... 975's Union Pacific 48...... 9534 9534

United States Steel 3d 50 102% 102% LEADING RAILS FIGURE IN VERY ACTIVE MARKET

Extensive Buying, Mostly at Higher Prices, Is a Dominant

Gains Range From 1 to 4 Points, With Demand Inspired Apparently From Substantial Sources.

NEW YORK, September 25 .- Ex-

Anaconda Copper... 7238 7338 7234 7236 pal trunk lines, with a fair sprinkling

Gains ranged from 1 to 4 points and the demand seemed to derive its inspiration from substantial sources. For the first time in many weeks specialties played a subordinate part, although a few material gains were registered by those stocks, notably Baldwin Locomotive, General Motors, Lackawanna Steel and Texas Company

Closing Is Strong.

The closing was strong.

At times the business of the company has been excellent, but tourist travel has not been in this direction this year; Washington has not been the Mecca for summer visitors, and the freight business may have suffered from the unseasonable weather during the summer months.

Stockholders in Lanston are hoping for speedy action in the matter of a dividend. They have been led to believe that the profits of the corporation in sight and garnered have been large. Lanston shareholders take courage and not a little comfort from the strength of their shares, now 20% above the low point of the year.

Traction shares are likely to earn the lanston and have and to receive the usual strength of the receives the usual to the low point of the year.

Consolidated Gas. 1834 1631/2 162 1621/4 1631/4 16

Baldwin Locomotive and General Motors were the strong features of the special group, Baldwin rising 2% to the new high price of 95%, with six for Motors at 315. United States Steel was unchanged at

the outset, but soon rose on heavy trading to 78%, an advance of %. Week's Trading Wholly Speculative. 2734 2438 2738 NEW YORK, September 25 .- War shares and kindred specialties made up a very large part of the week's active

31% 121/2 business on the stock exchange, which was distinguished for several sessions 4114 4134 of a million or more shares.

173 174 Trading was almost wholly of a speculative character, commission houses reporting a continuance of the demand for industrials and equipments, while the local trading element seemed dispersions of the contraction of the contraction

the local trading element seemed dis-posed to resist the advance. New high records were made by a number of the stocks recently under review, and the increase in the West-inghouse dividend from a 4 to 6 per cent basis furnished further evidence of the prosperity in that especial line of industry. 81/2 of industry.

Higher Prices for Motors. Automobile issues, with scarcely an

exception, moved to higher prices, the previous week's 50 per cent dividend

There was a better inquiry for rail-

2734 2736 2734 2736 way investment shares, some of these advancing 2 to almost 5 points on the heavy realizing, but all offerings were

Missouri, Kan. & Fr. 614 614 512 618

The highly favorable returns of some of the leading roads, notably Southern

Prices worked up to and 12.15 for Januar of the leading roads, notably Southern

Southern

National Biscuit. ... 121/2 12172 12

DAIRY MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, September 25.—Butter— Higher: creamery, 21½a25¾. Eggs—Unchanged: receipts, 7,077

Sears, Roebuck..... 15534 15534 15534 1 534 18; frozen turkeys, 17a21. **CURB STOCKS.** Quotations furnished by W. B. Hibbs & Co.

members New York Stock Exchans	e.	
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Braden Copper	914	- 1
British-American Tobacco	14	15
Canadian Car	102	103
Canadian Car pfd	117	119
Car Light	816	****
Cramp	87	24
Goldfield Cons		- 1
Goldfield Merger	19%	15
Jumbo Extension	11	15.
Kennecott	544	54
Marine	316	
Marine pfd	374	33
Profit Sharing		1 5
liker-Hegeman	514	10
Sterling Gum	234	1
Submarine	50	56
United Cigar Stores	95	15
World Film	3%	3
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N. Y	. Cot	onsee	d Oil	Marl	ket.
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pot, 6. etober,	6.68a6	75; No	vembe	r, 6.76	0a6.76

Willys-Overland... 213³⁴ 213³⁴ 213³⁴ 213³⁴ 213³⁴ February, 6.90a6.95; March, 6.97a6.9 Wisconsin Central... 34 24 34 April. 7.08a7.12. Total sales, 12,7 Wisconsin Central... 34 34 34 34 April. Woolworth Stores... 10734 10734 10734 10734 barrels.

New York Bank Statement.

NEW YORK BONDS.

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Atchison gen. 4s.

One of the actual condition of clearinghouse banks and trust companies for the week shows that they hold \$198,073,920 reserve in excess of legal requirements. This is a decrease Northern Pacific 4s.

NEW YORK, September 25.—The statement of the actual condition of clearinghouse banks and trust companies for the week shows that they hold \$198,073,920 reserve in excess of legal requirements. This is a decrease Steady: Changed.

Norfolk & Western 4s..... 8956 8956 WHEAT PRICES TAKE **UPWARD SWING TODAY**

Northwest Advices and Higher Cable Quotations Aid Bull Side of Chicago Market.

CHICAGO, September 25 .- Wheat prices took an upward swing today, influence wet weather that threatened to delay re ceipts. Besides, cable quotations were higher, and British millers were said to be showing anxiety for supplies. Gossip that agents of the Anglo-French allies had been buying from time to time

ounted also against the bears. After opening % to % higher, with December at 95% to 96 and May at 98 to 98%, the market scored some additional

Sagging Tendency for Corn.

Corn tended to sag owing to warmer like advance, were followed by a slight

Cats, like wheat, felt the bullish effect of wet weather. Trade was light.

Rapid decreases in western stocks of meat gave firmness to provisions. The market was also affected by higher prices for hogs.

Low. 106 94% 97 T- Open. High. mber 196 197% aber 95% 96% 98 98% ember 3814 3614 3614 3814 3814 3814 3814 3814

BALTIMORE special Distratch to The Star.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

BALTIMORE, September 25.—Wheat
—Firmer; spot No. 2 red. 1.08½; spot
No. 2 red. western, 1.14½; September
No. 2 red. 1.08½; October No. 2 red.
1.07; steamer No. 2 red. 1.01½; receipts,
5.962 bushels; exports, 20,000 bushels.
Corn—Receipts, 1,907 bushels.
Oats—Firmer; No. 2 white, 28½238%;
No. 4 white, 3435; receipts, 28,0151
bushels; exports, 496,888 bushels.
Rye—Firm; No. 2 western export, 1.01
a1.02; receipts, 56,317 bushels; exports,
67,924 bushels.
Hay—Quiet; No. 1 timothy, unchanged.
Grain freights—Firmer; steam to Liverpool, per bushel, 15d October; picked ports, per quarter, 88 9da9s September.

Today—Sun rose 5:51 a.m.; sun sets

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, September 25.—Flour steady. Pork firm, Beef steady. Lard steady. Molasses quiet. Hay steady. Hides steady. Leather firm. Coffee—Rio No. 7, 6%; futures easy; December, 6.02; March, 6.16.

LIVERPOOL.

LIVERPOOL, September 25 .- Wheat-

COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

January.

Futures opened firm. October, 11.40;
December, 11.85; January, 12.00; March, 12.25; May, 12.36.

There were reports of increased hedge selling, and the market also met heavy realizing, but all offerings were readily taken on slight reactions and prices worked up to 11.58 for October and 12.15 for January, or about 24 to 28 points net higher. Eastern spinners

NEW ORLEANS, September 25.
Previous high records for the season were exceeded by 2 to 3 points in the day. Heavy buying resulted from her humband She asks custody from her humband. She asks custody from her humband she are humband and her humband she are humband and her humband she are humband a NEW ORLEANS.

LIVERPOOL, September 25.—Sp/nt firni; good middling, 7.08; middling, 6.76; low middling, 6.28; sales, 8,000 bales; speculation and export, 800 bales; receipts, none; futures unsettled.

September, 6.63; September and October, 6.63; October and November and December, 6.63½; November and December, 6.67½; January and February, 6.68; February and March, 6.68½; March and April, 6.69; April and May, 6.69½; May and June, 6.70; June and July, 6.69; July and August, 6.68; August and September, 6.58.

OIL STOCKS.

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8	Quotations furnished by W. B.		
	With the decision of the second state of the s	Bid.	Aske
	Atlantic Refining Co	630	640
	Anglo-American Oil	16%	10
1.7	Buckeye Pipe Line	103	104
	Continental Off Co		260
	Galena-Signal Off Co. com	159	161
ed.	Galeng-Signal Oil Co. pfd	133	138
5	Illinois Pipe	146	148
2	National Transit Co	3235	
3	Ohio Off Co	155	157
5	Plerce Oil Corporation	11%	12
	Prairie Oil and Gas Co	422	425
- 7	Prairie Pipe	201	263
- 3	South Penn Off Co	340	345
	Southern Pipe Line	230	243
1-10	Southwestern Penn, Pipe Line	125	130
II.	Standard Oil California	300	310
5	Standard Oil Indiana	463	466
	Standard Oil Kansas	\$(00)	42)
6;	Standard Oil Kentucky	283	283
4:	Standard Oil Nebraska	340	350
8:	Standard Oil New York	190	200
00	Standard Oll Ohio	510	525
	Swann & Finch Co	130	135
9	Union Tank Line Co		85
	Vacuum Oil Co	224	227
	Vacadin ou co	29	41

NEW YORK METAL MARKET.

NEW YORK, September 25 .electrolytic, 18.00. Iron un-

FOR ONE-CENT POSTAGE ON ALL LOCAL LETTERS

New House Member From Washington Declares Himself in Favor

Commenting on pending legislation in the forthcoming session of Congress, C. C. Dill, the new democratic member from the Spokane, Wash, district, said that the general improvement of business throughout the country will make the time opportune for the consideration of the measure creating one-cent drop letter postage.

"During my few days' stay at the National Capital getting a line on how Subsequently wheat prices weather because of assertions by a leading authority that, although the milling value of the winter crop had been much impaired, the amount actually unfit for sition will be pushed in the next ses-NEW YORK, September 25.—Extensive buying of the leading railway stocks, mostly at higher prices, was the dominant feature of today's very the dominant feature of today's very active market.

The inquiry converged around such standard issues as Pennsylvania, the transcontinental group and the principal paired, the amount actually unfit for any market use was not greatly in excess for the usual percentage. The close was not greatly in excess of the usual percentage. The close was not greatly in excess of the usual percentage. The close was not greatly in excess of the usual percentage. The close was not greatly in excess of the usual percentage. The close was with will reduce the rate of postage on sealed letters from the inquiry converged around such standard issues as Pennsylvania, the close was weak at ½ to 1 net decline.

No important corn rally took place. The close was weak at ½ to 1 net decline this is a meritorious proposition and one that should receive the early attention of Congress which will reduce the rate of postage on sealed letters from for delivery in the same towns and cities in which they are mailed. In the close was weak at ½ to 1 net decline.

Big Profit on Business.

"Experts, I am informed, state that the government nets an enormous Sea Code of "General Averages" Sucprices, which ranged from 14 off to a profit on local delivery letters, and if

"Such legislation would be especially valuable to local merchants in developing new business. The country is growing more prosperous each day and cheaper drop letter postage would, in 57% my opinion, aid in making it more prosperous than it ever has been."

WEATHER.

Maryland, fair tonight and probably of officers and crew.

Today—Sun rose 5:51 a.m.; sun sets 5:54 p.m. Tomorrow—Sun rises 5:52 a.m.; sun sets 5:52 p.m. Moon rises 6:44 p.m.

Records for Twenty-Four Hours.

The following were the readings of the thermometer and barometer at the weather bureau for the twenty-four hours beginning at 2 p.m. yesterday:
Thermometer—Yesterday, 4 p.m., 74; 8 p.m., 62: 12 midnight, 56; today, 4 a.m., 52; 8 a.m., 57; noon, 72: 2 p.m., 76.
Maximum, 76, at 2 p.m. today: minimum, 51, at 6:30 a.m. today.
Temperature same date last year—Maximum, 65; minimum, 56.
Barometer—Yesterday, 4 p.m., 30.23; 8 p.m., 30.27; 12 midnight, 30.27; today, 4 o.m., 30.27; 12 midnight, 30.27; today, 4 o.m., 30.28; 2 p.m., 30.28.

Condition of the Water

Temperature and condition of water Temperature and condition of water at 8 am: Great Falls—Temperature, 72: condition, 200. Dalecarlia reservoir—Temperature, 71: condition at north connection, 60: condition at south connection, 28. Georgetown distributing reservoir—Temperature, 71: condition at influent gatehouse, 24: condition at effluent gatehouse, 26.

Weather in Various Cities.

E Temperarus

Stations.	arometer	Highest yesterday	Lawest last night	tainfall.	State of weather.
Abliene, Tex. 29	78	79	72	0.01	Cloudy
Albany 30	40	64	40	0.01	Coudy
Atlantic City 30,	32	72	58		Clear
Bismarck 29	.94	58	50	0.08	Cloudy
Boston 20		66	52		Chear
Buffalo 30.		64	50		Clo dy
Charleston 30		78	68	0.02	Clear
Chicago 30	.20	68	64		Pt.cloudy
Cincinnati 30		78	52		Clear
Cleveland 30		68	54		Clear
Denver 29	1.	86	56	T.	Ra.n
Detroit 30		70	34		Cloudy
Galveston 30		82	80	0.38	Clear
Helena 30.		56	40		Clouds
Jacksonville 30		78	72	0.36	Pt cloud:
Kausas City., 30		74	66	0.02	Rain
Los Angeles., 29		70	58		Cloudy
Louisville 30		80	56		Clear
Miami., Fla., 29	.98	86	Set		
New Orleans, 30	.06	16	72	0.34	Clear
New York 30.	34	70	5.8		Clear
Oklahoma 29			66	1.28	Rain
Philadelphia., 30	. 6	76	48		Clear
Pittsburgh 30	.36	70	54		Cloudy
Portland, Mc. 30		62	44		Clear
Portland, Ore. 20.	Si	68	52		Cear
Salt Lake C. 20.	.46	82	558	0.01	Cloudy
San Diego 29	72	GS	62		Cloudy
S. Francisco., 29	.64	66	54		Clear
St. Louis 30	.16	50	(5)		Cloudy
St. Paul 29	92	66	64	0.04	
WASH., D.C. 30	34	76	51		Pt.cloud

esent the wife.

Tau Delta Men at Luncheon. Many alumni of the Delta Tau Delta

Fraternity today attended the first of a series of monthly luncheons at the Raleigh Hotel. W. R. Carpenter, delegate to the Karnea recently held at San Francisco, reported that the Delta Tau Delta men had the largest number of registered delegates of any fraternity— 371. Blaine Mallan, chairman of the committee in charge, presided.

The Searchlight FACTOR OF STREET NEWS

Fresh Air for Street Cars. New York is entering upon a well organized campaign for better sanitation

true in the winter, when the ventilators provided are apt to be closed.

Although the control of these cars is a municipal problem. Dr. S. S. Goldwater, health commissioner of New York, has asked the public health commission of the state to issue health regulations to be applied to street cars. It is expected that these regulations will include some stringent rules regarding the overcrowding of the cars. Dr. Goldwater considers overcrowding and lack of ventilation more detrimental to public health than lack of proper cleaning.

SOUTH PACIFIC ISLANDS BASIS OF A LAW SUIT

F. G. Stritzel and J. B. Gross Would Enjoin Niels P. Sorensen From Involving Interests.

Suit for injunction was instituted today by Frederick G. Stritzel and John B. Gross in the District Supreme Court against Niels P. Sorensen. The plain-tiffs seek to prevent the defendant from making certain contracts respecting the interests of the plaintiffs in a laim before the British government for ownership of certain islands in the

South Pacific ocean.

The islands are said to have been discovered by the defendant while commanding a ship in those waters. The islands in controversy are known as the Treasury group, Zacama or North Island of the Solomon group and Green Island of the Cataract group.

Attorneys F. D. Davidson and J. W. Marshall, jr., appear for the plaintiffs, who claim to have aided Sorensen in presenting his claim to the islands and to have entered into an agreement by which the defendant transferred a half interest in the Islands to them. south Pacific ocean.

GOVERNMENT IS LIABLE FOR SHARE OF SALVAGE

cessfully Invoked Against Post Office Department.

The sea code of "general averages" is invoked against the Post Office Department to impose a charge against it for a share in the cost of salvaging the steamer Montanan proportionate to the value of a shipment by the government of postal cards to the value of the rest of the cargo. The con-troller of the Treasury, W. W. War-wick, rules that the government is liable, under precedent, accepting the rule of "general average" as a government liability of the same status as the liability of any individual shipper, unless it can be shown that the

the "general average," in accordance with "the York-Antwerp rules and the laws and usages of the port of New York." is \$101.62, or 3.38749 per cent of the value, \$3.000, of the shipment

of the value, \$3,000, of the shipment of postal cards. The shipment was made on the steamer Montanan, New York to Puerto Mexico, and was destined for the post office at San Francisco. The Montanan stranded on Matanilla shoals. The vessel was floated with the aid of several vessels, which entered claim for \$22,-500. There were losses of cargo, which brought up the costs of salvage and damage to \$50,358.43.

SUBMARINE TO GET TEST BY THE NAVY DEPARTMENT

Secretary Daniels Arranges With Capt. H. E. Montague for Trials Within Three Months.

Capt. H. E. Montague of Binghamton, charge of J. W. Rhodes. For most of N. Y., for a practical test of a subma- the mile the substituted driver rode in rine boat recently constructed by him, front, but John D. showed himself Congress to appropriate \$30,000 for its over.

is sixty feet long and has a speed of twenty statute miles on the surface and fifteen miles submerged; an endurance at full speed submerged without surface connection, of fifty hours, and a capacity of complete submergence with crew aboard of seventy-two hours. It is strong enough, he says, to withstand submergence to a depth of 100 feet, and when operating under water the exhaust is taken care of automatically so that no bubbles come to the surface to betray its presence.

He says that he has been offered more than a million dollars for the patent rights to his invention and that Japan and other governments are negotiating.

and other governments are negotiating with him for a number of his subma-rines. The boat is to be tested by na-val experts within the next three

MICHIGAN TAKES LEAD IN BATTLE EFFICIENCY

from her husband. She asks custody In the torpedo destroyer class the of the children. Attorneys Hayden Patterson led in a list of twenty vesJohnson and Thomas H. Patterson repsels, the McDougal and Fanning being In the torpedo destroyer class the Patterson led in a list or twenty vessels, the McDougal and Fanning being second and third, respectively.

In the submarine class the K-8 led, the B-3 being second and the C-3 third. In the cruiser class the Galveston led, with the New Orleans and Yorktown second and third, respectively.

ZEEBRUGGE IS SHELLED

MISS RUTH LANGLEY HURT.

Horse She Was Riding Backed Into an Excavation. Miss Ruth Langley, daughter of C. A.

and ventilation of the street cars and Langley of 5925 Blair road, was insubway trains. Thousands of people jured shortly before noon today when a horse she was riding backed into an travel in these conveyances daily, and most of them the air is foul because excavation on Blair road between Kenof lack of ventilation. This is especially nedy and Concord streets. true in the winter, when the ventilators ley was taken home by J. R. Whelpley provided are apt to be closed.

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Army Orders.

Brig. Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, general staff, is detailed as a member of the joint board appointed by the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy. Maj. Charles C. Clark, infantry, is detailed for service in the Quarter-master Corps, vice Maj. George E. stockle, relieved.

Infantry officers recently promoted have been assigned as follows: Maj. Robert W. Mearns, to 12th In-

fantry.
Maj. William J. Lutz, to 9th Infantry.
Capt. James G. Taylor, to 17th Infan-Capt. H. Clay M. Supplee, to 29th In-

Capt. H. Clay M. Sapped, fantry.
Capt. Alex M. Hall, to 28th Infantry.
First Lieut. Charles K. Nulsen, to 16th Infantry.
First Lieut. John H. Muncaster, to 4th Infantry.
First Lieut. Theodore K. Spencer, to 7th Infantry. First Lieut. Theodore K. Spencer, to 7th Infantry.
Musician Albert Houck, 21st Company, Coast Artillery Corps, Cristobal, Canal Zone, will be discharged by his commanding officer, to enable him to enter the Soldiers' Home, Washington, D. C.

per, unless it can be shown that the owner of the ship did not exercise due diligence in assuring the seaworthiness of the vessel and the competency of officers and crew.

D. C.

Leave of absence for two months is granted Capt. Guy G. Palmer, infantry Capt. Jens Bugge, 21st Infantry, will proceed to the Letterman General Hospital the Presidence of San Francisco. Cai. for observation and treatment.
Leave of absence for three months is granted First Lieut. Henry G. Stahl, 14th Infantry.
Leave of absence for one month and

eighteen days is granted Capt. James H. Bryson, Quartermaster Corps. RASTUS AND MIRTHFUL WIN.

2.09 Class Trot at Columbus Requires Six Heats. COLUMBUS, Ohio, September 25 .- To each of the three class races carded for the fifth day of the Columbus Grand Circuit racing yesterday there was something out of the ordinary. The

program itself was not completed,

Mirthful and St. Frisco making it long

with a six-heat trootting battle. Today the 2:18 pace will be finished and there will be consolation races for 2:11 pacers and 2:15 trotters. Rastus, favorite, won the 2:66 pace after the first heat had gone to John D. Driver Osborn was taken down for Secretary Daniels has arranged with the fourth heat and John D. put in

and if the craft meets conditions to ask weary when the last quarter was half Ourchase.

In one of the heats of the 2:18 pacing class Miss Rejected fell and Driver is sixty feet long and has a speed of Yates was thrown to the track. His

RATILY NUMINATIONS.

Maryland Republicans in Convention Indorse Ticket for Fall Election.

BALTIMORE, Md., September 25 .-Maryland republicans met in convention here yesterday afternoon to ratify the nominations of Ovington E. Weller

Sage was scheduled to arrive yesterday morning, but she did not get here until today. They are to leave Washington in the near future on a "seeing America first" trip.

Non-Union Labor Erects Stands. At a meeting of Local Union 132 of

the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, held last night, To Honor West Virginia Ve erans. BY BRITISH WARSHIPS the organization approved of giving out a statement to the press declaring the organization approved of giving AMSTERDAM, September 25 .- British that for the first time the building of warships again bombarded the Belgian town of Zeebrugge this morning. Three ships were engaged. The flashes of their heavy guns were visible on the Dutch coast.

stands on Pennsylvania avenue to the parades has been given to employers of non-union labor. The only stand that is being erected for the G. A. R. reunion by union labor, it is declared, is that at the southeast corner of the Treasure. varships again bombarded the Belgian stands on Pennsylvania avenue for the ury building.

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Head of Army Nurses Coming. Mrs. Rebecca L. Price of Lancaster, Pa., president of the Army Nurses' Asociation, with a party of twenty-five, is expected to arrive at the Hotel Gor-don this afternoon and establish the headquarters of the association for the G. A. R. encampment.

The West Virginia veterans are to be entertained Tuesday evening at the Old Masonic Temple, 5th and F streets. Supper will be served the visitors at 7 o'clock and a reception will follow. The West Virginia Society will be host.

Regarded as weather prophets by the natives, the "black howlers." largest of the Panama monkeys, set up a roaring howl almost suggestive of the lion.

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